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Applicant: Sam Schwartz

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION, AMENDMENT, AND RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to an Office Action dated March 22, 2004 made final (hereinafter "Office Action"), Applicant respectfully requests the concurrently submitted Request for Continued Examination be granted, and that the above-identified application be amended as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.

suggest the detailed composition now claimed by Applicant. Therefore, the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) should be withdrawn.

Similarly, GB 1479 199 in combination with JP 08113530 and Biener may also allegedly provide for differing concentrations of Dead Sea Salts, however, the art in combination does not teach or suggest the detailed composition now claimed by Applicant. Therefore, the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) should be withdrawn.

Similarly, GB 1479 199 in combination with JP 08113530 and Biener, and further in view of Stavroff, may also allegedly provide for differing concentrations of Dead Sea Salts, however, the art in combination does not teach or suggest the detailed composition now claimed by Applicant. Therefore, the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) should be withdrawn.

Similarly, GB 1479 199 in combination with JP 08113530 and Biener, and further in view of Stavroff and Chodosh, may also allegedly provide for differing concentrations of Dead Sea Salts, however, the art in combination does not teach or suggest the detailed composition now claimed by Applicant. Therefore, the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) should be withdrawn.

Conclusion

Applicant submits that, for at least the reasons stated above, all pending claims are allowable over the art of record and respectfully requests that a Notice of Allowance be issued in this case. If the Examiner believes that a teleconference would be of value in expediting the allowance of the pending claims, the undersigned can be reached at the telephone number listed below. If any fees are due in connection with the filing of this paper, the Commissioner is hereby

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